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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): POLYMER ELECTROLYTE, PROTON CONDUCTIVE MEMBRANE AND
MEMBRANE-ELECTRODE ASSEMBLY

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- ☒ 41 pages of Specification/Claims 1-4/Abstract are attached.
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
☒ An assignment of the invention to HONDA MOTOR CO., LTD and JSR CORPORATION is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
☒ Priority of foreign application No. 2003-27268 filed February 4, 2003 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
☒ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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BASIC FEE				\$ 385	OR		\$ 770	
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INDEP CLAIMS	1 - 3	=	x 43 =	\$	OR	x 86	\$	
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- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1100 (\$1060 for the filing fee and \$40 for the Assignment Recordation Fee) is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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